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For: **Enhanced Noninvasive Collagen
Remodeling**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

The Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action dated October 03, 2002.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Office objected to claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In response, the applicant has amended claim 3 to the following.

3. (Amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the energy is mechanical energy.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-3

The Office objected to claim 1-3 as being anticipated by O'Donnell, Jr. (U.S. Patent 6106515). The applicant disagrees for the reasons stated below.

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PATENT

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	11	—	20	= 0 x \$	9.00	= \$	0.00
INDEP.	6	—	6	= 0 x \$	42.00	= \$	0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$	0.00	= \$	0.00
				TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		\$	0.00


No additional fee for claims is required.

FEE DEFICIENCY

5. If additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 502191.

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